REST server

<https://www.mongodb.com/download-center/community>

**DATA DIRECTORY**

**C:\Program Files\MongoDB\Server\4.0\data\**

**LOG DIRECTORY**

**C:\Program Files\MongoDB\Server\4.0\log\**

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### Create database directory.

Create the [data directory](https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/reference/glossary/#term-dbpath) where MongoDB stores data. MongoDB’s default data directory path is the absolute path \data\db on the drive from which you start MongoDB.

From the **Command Interpreter**, create the data directories:

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**cd** C:\

**md** "\data\db"

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### Start your MongoDB database.

To start MongoDB, run [mongod.exe](https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/reference/program/mongod.exe/#bin.mongod.exe).

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"C:\Program Files\MongoDB\Server\4.0\bin\mongod.exe" --dbpath="c:\data\db"

The [--dbpath](https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/reference/program/mongod/#cmdoption-mongod-dbpath) option points to your database directory.

If the MongoDB database server is running correctly, the **Command Interpreter** displays:

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[initandlisten] waiting **for** connections

**IMPORTANT**

Depending on the [Windows Defender Firewall](https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/security/identity-protection/windows-firewall/windows-firewall-with-advanced-security) settings on your Windows host, Windows may display a **Security Alert** dialog box about blocking “some features” of C:\ProgramFiles\MongoDB\Server\4.0\bin\mongod.exe from communicating on networks. To remedy this issue:

1. Click **Private Networks, such as my home or work network**.
2. Click **Allow access**.

To learn more about security and MongoDB, see the [Security Documentation](https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/security/).

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### Connect to MongoDB.

To connect a [mongo.exe](https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/reference/program/mongo/#bin.mongo) shell to the MongoDB instance, open another **Command Interpreter** with Administrative privileges and run:

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"C:\Program Files\MongoDB\Server\4.0\bin\mongo.exe"